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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

The following is a detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application. A status identifier is provided for every claim and the current text of every claim is presented, unless the claim has been cancelled or withdrawn.

Claims 1-24 (CANCELLED)

25. (PREVIOUSLY AMENDED) A method comprising:

scanning a bar code on at least one item;

determining a purchase price for a purchase including the at least one item;

receiving a rounding code from a first item not included in the purchase;

determining a rounding multiple corresponding to the rounding code;

rounding the purchase price based on the rounding multiple; and

allowing an exchange of the at least one item and the first item for the rounded purchase price.

26. (PREVIOUSLY AMENDED) A method comprising:

scanning a bar code on at least one item;

determining a purchase price for a purchase including the at least one item;

receiving a rounding code from a first item not included in the purchase;

determining a rounding multiple corresponding to the rounding code;

rounding the purchase price based on the rounding multiple; and

receiving the rounded purchase price in exchange for the at least one item and the first item.

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27. (PREVIOUSLY AMENDED) A method comprising:

scanning a bar code on at least one item;

determining a purchase price for a purchase including at least one item;

receiving a rounding code from a first item not included in the purchase;

selecting a rounding multiple from a plurality of rounding multiples based on the received rounding code;

rounding the purchase price based on the selected rounding multiple; and

receiving the rounded purchase price in exchange for the at least one item and the first item.

28. (ORIGINAL) A method comprising:

receiving a signal indicative of at least one item from a customer;

determining a price for the at least one item;

receiving a signal indicative of a scanned bar code on a first item not included in the at least one item;

selecting an integer from a plurality of integers based on the scanned bar code, in which at least one of the plurality of integers is "1";

determining a rounded price based on the price and the selected integer, in which the rounded price is a lowest multiple of the selected integer that is greater than the price;

setting the rounded price as required payment for the at least one item and the first item; and

registering the rounded price as being paid for by the customer.

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29.   (PREVIOUSLY AMENDED)   A method comprising:

receiving at least one item from a customer;

receiving a first item from a customer, in which the first item is not included in the at least one item;

scanning a bar code on the at least one item;

determining a price for the at least one item;

determining a rounding multiple based on the first item;

determining a rounded price based on the price and the rounding multiple, in which the rounded price is a lowest multiple of the selected integer that is greater than the price;

charging the customer the rounded price for the at least one item and the first item; and

receiving payment of the rounded price from the customer.

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30. (ORIGINAL) A method comprising:

receiving at least one item from a customer;

receiving a first item from a customer, in which the first item is not included in the at least one item;

determining a price for the at least one item;

scanning a bar code on the first item;

selecting an integer from a plurality of integers based on the scanned bar code, in which at least one of the plurality of integers is "1";

determining a rounded price based on the price and the selected integer, in which the rounded price is a lowest multiple of the selected integer that is greater than the price;

charging the customer the rounded price for the at least one item and the first item; and

receiving payment of the rounded price from the customer.

31. (ORIGINAL) A method comprising:

receiving a plurality of items from a customer, each item having a bar code;

scanning the bar code on each of the plurality of items;

selecting an integer from a plurality of integers based on one of the scanned bar codes;

determining a price of a subset of the plurality of items, the subset not including the item corresponding to the one of the scanned bar codes;

determining a rounded price based on the price and the selected integer, in which the rounded price is a lowest multiple of the selected integer that is greater than the price;

charging the customer the rounded price for the plurality of items; and

receiving payment of the rounded price from the customer.

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